SHRI MD. SALIM: He is comparing the prices of February, 1999 and...*(Interruptions)*. The question is this. What was the October, 1999 price? *(Interruptions)* You are conveniently forgetting the October, 1999 share price. *(Interruptions)* You have quoted the price of October, 1999. *(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI ADHIK SHIRODKAR): Please, please...*(Interruptions)*. Let me...*(Interruptions)* Kindly take your seats. *(Interruptions)*.

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Sir, one of the suggestions which has come out from all sides, - not only from us, but even from the TDP, which is supporting to the Government, - is that there should be a Select Committee to look into the question on whether the pricing has been the reflection of collusion on the part of those who have been dealing with it. This question has been raised, some disquiet has been expressed on the way prices have been fixed. What I want to say is that this is the opinion of almost all the Parties who have spoken, excepting the BJP. I would like to know from the BJP Minister whether he is in agreement with the suggestion that there should be a House Committee. Would you like to answer that question? We want to know that. This is a request from all sections of the House that there should be a House Committee.Would you like to answer that question?We want to know that. This is a request from all section of the House that there should be a Select Committee.*(Interruptions)*... Would the Minister like to answer this? *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI RAM NAIK: Sir, since I have explained the position properly, I don't feel there is any need for a Select Committee. *(Interruptions)*...

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**SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS FOR GRANTS (GENERAL)1999-2000**

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI ADHIK SHIRODKAR): Now, Shri Yashwant Sinha to lay the Supplementary Demands for Grants (General), 1999-2000 on the Table. *(Interruptions)*...

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) showing the Supplementary Demands for Grants (General), 1999-2000. *(Interruptions)*....

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI ADHIK SHIRODKAR) The House stands adjourned till 3.15 P.M.

The House then adjourned for lunch at twenty-one minutes past two of the clock.

The House then reassembled after lunch at sixteen minutes past three of the clock.

The Deputy Chairman in the Chair.

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## CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

### Disinvestment of Government Shares in Gas Authority of India Limited at a price lower than the best possible price- Contd.

**श्री मोहम्मद सलीम** : मैडम, प्रि-लंच सेशन के डिसकशन में आप नहीं थीं। हमने कालिंग अटेंशन में इतने क्वेश्चन्स सरकार के सामने रखे और मंत्री महोदय से हमें उम्मीद थी कि वह गैस अथारिटी ऑफ इंडिया लिमिटेड के बारे में जवाब देंगे। लेकिन उनकी तरफ से एक भी जवाब नहीं आया। इसलिए हमारे जो मेम्बर्स हैं और जिन्होंने यहां पर सवाल पूछे थे - मंत्री जी यहां पर नहीं हैं, मंत्री जी ज्यादातर सवालों को टालकर चले गए कि यह फाइनेंस मिनिस्ट्री का मामला है, फाइनेंस मिनिस्टर भी ऐसा ही समझते हैं, तो हम यहां पर डिसकशन क्यों करते हैं। ...**(व्यवधान)**...

**श्री नरेन्द्र मोहन** (उत्तर प्रदेश) : मैडम, यहां पर कहानियां सुनाई जाती हैं, इसका क्या मतलब है? ...**(व्यवधान)**...

**श्री मोहम्मद सलीम** : कौन सी कहानी है आपकी। ...**(व्यवधान)**... मैं यहां पर आपकी पत्रिका थोड़े ही पढ़ रहा हूं। मैं दैनिक जागरण थोड़े ही पढ़ रहा हूं। ...**(व्यवधान)**... मैं तो आपकी जानकारी के लिए कह रहा हूं। ...**(व्यवधान)**...

**श्री नरेन्द्र मोहन** : उसको आप पढ़िए। ...**(व्यवधान)**...

**श्री राजूभाई ए. परमार** : मैडम, ये कौन सी कहानी की बात कह रहे हैं।

SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Unless we get a satisfactory reply to this question... *(Interruptions)*.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am not following what is happening. Can one person not tell me as to what is the matter.